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As Base Oils For Invert Emulsion
Oil Muds

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PRINTING ERRORS FOUND IN PUBLICATION OF APPLICATION

Dear Sir:

This application was published on February 20, 2003 as United States Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0036484 A1. In the printing of the application for publication, a couple of typographical errors were made by the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The errors are in the paragraph numbered 14. That paragraph is copied below with the errors marked through and corrected.

[0014] In blends of the invention with esters, the esters may be used in any quantity. Preferably, however, the esters should comprise at least about 10 weight percent of the blend and may comprise up to about 99 weight percent of the blend. Preferred esters for blending are comprised of about C_{sub}.6 to about C_{sub}.4 C_{sub}.14 fatty acids and alcohols, and are particularly or more preferably disclosed in U.S. Pat. No. Re. 36,066, reissued Jan. 25, 1999 as a reissue of U.S. Pat. No. 5,232,910, assigned to Henkel KGaA of Dusseldorf, Germany, and

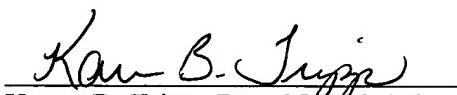
baroid Baroid Limited of London, England, and in U.S. Pat. No. 5,252,554, issued Oct. 12, 1993, and assigned to Henkel Kommanditgesellschaft auf Aktien of Dusseldorf, Germany and Baroid Limited of Aberdeen, Scotland. Esters disclosed in U.S. Pat. No. 5,106,516, issued Apr. 21, 1992, and U.S. Pat. No. 5,318,954, issued Jun. 7, 1984, both assigned to Henkel Kommanditgesellschaft auf Aktien, of Dusseldorf, Germany, may also preferably be used in the blends of the invention. The most preferred esters for use in the blends of the invention are comprised of about C._{sub.12} to about C._{sub.14} fatty acids and 2-ethyl hexanol or about C._{sub.8} fatty acids and 2-ethyl hexanol. These most preferred esters are available commercially as PETROFREE.RTM. and PETROFREE LV.TM., respectively, from Halliburton Energy Services, Inc. in Houston, Tex.

That is, in the typing of the patent application for printing, the term "C sub 14" was erroneously typed "C sub 4". Also, the name "Baroid" should be written with a capital first letter as indicated.

Please correct these errors when the patent application is printed as a patent. The application as filed by Applicants correctly reflects the term "C₁₄" in this paragraph and also shows "Baroid" to begin with a capital "B". Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

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